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SUBJ: RELEASE OF DOWNEY BY PRC

REF: STATE 44327

FOLLOWING IS PLANNED RESPONSE FOR LOCAL MEDIA/ CORRESPONDENT
INQUIRIES REGARDING RELEASE OF JOHN DOWNEY:

Q. WHAT ARE PRESS COVERAGE ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE ARRIVAL
OF MR. JOHN DOWNEY IN HONG KONG?

A. AT THE REQUEST OF THE AMERICAN CONSULATE GENERAL, AND
THROUGH THE KINDNESS AND COOPERATION OF THE HONG KONG GOVERNMENT,
STILL AND MOTION PICTURE COVERAGE WILL BE PROVIDED BY THE HK
GOVERNMENT INFORMATION SERVICES (GIS).

THIS REQUEST WAS MADE IN ORDER TO AFFORD MR. DOWNEY
FULL PROTECTION FOR HIS HEALTH. IN ADDITION, BECAUSE
HE IS TRAVELLING UNDER COMPASSIONATE CIRCUMSTANCES
RELATED TO HIS MOTHER' S ILLNESS, IT IS FELT THAT
SERVICES PROVIDED BY GIS WILL MINIMIZE ANY INFRINGEMENT
ON HIS PERSONAL FEELINGS AS HE TRAVELS URGENTLY
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TO THE UNITED STATES.

THE CONSULATE GENERAL WILL COOPERATE WITH THE
GIS IN PROVIDING THE DETAILS OF HIS ARRIVAL.

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